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SUBJ: BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITIONS RULES
COMMITTEE MEETING, JUNE 29, 1978

1. SUMMARY. THE ENTIRE SESSION OF THE RULES
COMMITTEE WAS DEOTED TO DISCUSSING THE FORM FOR
KNOXVILLE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY EXPOSITION (KIEE)
PARTICIPATION CONTRACT FOR NATIONAL PARTICIPANTS, WHICH
HAD BEEN APPROVED IN PART AT THE LAST BIE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY.

2. KEY POINTS DISCUSSED WERE AS FOLLOWS:
(A) COMMITTEE PRESIDENT CONSIDERS BASIC TEXT PROPOSED
BY KNOXVILLE COMPLICATED BUT, WITH ONE EXCEPTION, NOT
IN VIOLATION OF BIE CONVENTION. HOWEVER, PRECISE
SPACE RENTAL COSTS AND ROYALTIES REQUIRED FROM
PARTICIPANTS FOR SALE AND SERVICE CHARGES MUST BE
INDICATED BEFORE CONTRACT FORM CAN BE APPROVED. RULES
COMMITTEE CONSIDERED AS EXCESSIVE PROPOSALS MADE BY
ORGANIZER CONCERNING PRICES AND PERCENTAGES TO BE PAID
BY PARTICIPANTS ON SALES. A FIRM PRICE SCHEDULE IS
EXPECTED TO BE PRESENTED TO THE BIE BY US DELEGATE
NLT SPRING 1979 AND MAY BE INDEXED AGAINST INFLATION
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FOR ORGANIZERS' PROTECTION.
(B) COMMITTEE INFORMED ORGANIZERS THAT NATIONAL
PARTICIPANTS MAY NOT CONSTRUCT IN OPEN AREAS OF SPECIAL
CATEGORY EXPOSITIONS BUT PARTICIPANTS MUST DECORATE
AND MAINTAIN ALL SPACE THEY OCCUPY.
(C) RE EXCEPTION MENTIONED PARAGRAPH TWO, THE
PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE CONSIDERS THAT ARTICLE 8B

OF KNOXVILLE PARTICIPATION CONTRACT IS UNCLEAR AS TO PAYMENT OF ROYALTIES ON ARTICLES SOLD IN NATIONAL PAVILIONS, AND APPEARS TO CONFLICT WITH ARTICLE 20 OF KNOXVILLE GENERAL RULES, WHICH STATES THAT THE COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF SECTION WILL COLLECT ANY ROYALTIES FROM CONCESSIONS IN OFFICIAL PAVILIONS. THIS MAY REQUIRE LEGAL INTERPRETATION AS TO WHETHER THE COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF SECTION RETAINS ROYALTIES OR TRANSMITS ALL COLLECTIONS TO THE ORGANIZERS.

(D) THE US DELEGATE INFORMED THE COMMITTEE THAT THE REVISED TEXT OF THE KNOXVILLE PARTICIPATION CONTRACT MUST ALSO BE REVIEWED BY OFFICERS OF GENERAL COUNSEL IN COMMERCE AND STATE DEPARTMENTS BEFORE IT CAN BE CONSIDERED APPROVED BY THE US GOVERNMENT.

3. THE RULES COMMITTEE EXPECTS TO PRESENT THEIR OWN DRAFT OF A MODEL PARTICIPATION CONTRACT FOR APPROVAL AT NEXT MEETING IN DECEMBER 1978 FOR THE GUIDANCE OF FUTURE ORGANIZERS. MODELS OF ALL SPECIAL RULES WILL ALSO BE PROPOSED BY THE COMMITTEE FOR ADOPTION IN THE FUTURE. FINAL APPROVAL OF KNOXVILLE CONTRACT FORM WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETINGS OF THE BIE IN DECEMBER 1978 OR SPRING 1979. DETAILED REPORT ON COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS BEING FORWARDED SEPARATELY TO WASHINGTON.

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